



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB for Review and Approval;  
Public Comment Request**

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) has submitted an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. Comments submitted during the first public review of this ICR will be provided to OMB. OMB will accept further comments from the public during the review and approval period.

DATES: Comments on this ICR should be received within 30 days of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, including the Information Collection Request Title, to the desk officer for HRSA, either by email to [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov) or by fax to 202-395-5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the clearance requests submitted to OMB for review, email the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer at [paperwork@hrsa.gov](mailto:paperwork@hrsa.gov) or call (301) 443-1984.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Information Collection Request Title: Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students Application

Program Specific Form

OMB No. 0915-0149 -- Revision

**Abstract:** The purpose of the Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students (SDS) Program is to promote diversity among health profession students and practitioners by providing funds to eligible schools to provide scholarships to full-time, financially needy students from disadvantaged backgrounds enrolled in health professions and nursing programs. To qualify for participation in the SDS program, a school must be carrying out a program for recruiting and retaining students from disadvantaged backgrounds, including students who are members of racial and ethnic minority groups (section 737(d)(1)(B) of the Public Health Service Act). A school must meet the eligibility criteria to demonstrate that the program has achieved success based on the number and/or percentage of disadvantaged students who graduate from the school. In awarding SDS funds to eligible schools, funding points must be given to schools based on the proportion of graduate students practicing in primary care, the proportion of underrepresented minority students, and the proportion of graduates working in medically underserved communities (section 737(c) of the Public Health Service Act).

**Need and Proposed Use of Information:** Information collected for the SDS application is needed by the Department to determine whether applicant schools meet the statutory and regulatory requirements, to determine eligibility for program participation, and to establish priority points for funding. Applicant schools are requested to complete an application for each discipline or

program. Data are provided on the applicant school's number of full-time student enrollment and its racial/ethnicity data, disadvantaged full-time enrollment by class year, full-time students graduated, full-time disadvantaged students graduated, and full-time graduates serving in Medically Underserved Communities. Numbers of full-time graduates serving primary care must be provided only for schools of medicine, osteopathic medicine, dentistry, nursing (graduate degree program), physician assistants, dental hygiene, and mental and behavioral health. Each school will determine the eligibility of students based on financial need and whether a student is from a disadvantaged background.

Likely Respondents: Schools that participate in the SDS program. Students must be from a disadvantaged background as defined by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and must be a citizen, national, or a lawful permanent resident of the United States (see definition at <http://www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/scholarships/disadvantaged.html>).

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information; to search data sources; to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

Total Estimated Annualized Burden - Hours

Form Name	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Total Responses	Average Burden per Response (in hours)	Total Burden Hours
Application – Program Specific Form	400	1	400	22	8,800
Total	400	1	400	22	8,800

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